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Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed on December 8, 2004. This Amendment is in response to an Office Action having a mail date of August 25, 2004 and what appears to be an identical Office Action having a mail date of October 1, 2004.

The August 25, 2004 Office Action has a shortened statutory period for response of three months making the response due by November 26, 2004 (the 25th being a legal holiday). This Amendment is being filed after November 26, 2004 but before December 27, 2004 (the 25th and 26th being legal holidays and/or a Saturday and Sunday). As such a Request for a One Month Petition for Extension of Time is included and attached hereto.

Amendments to the Claims is on page 2. Amendments to the Specification is on page 3. The Remarks section follows.